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As such, the enclosed Declaration is now in order and sufficient to eliminate Spahn as relevant prior art.

Rejection of Claims

Applicants request the Office examine the amended claims submitted on August 8, 2005 and reconsider the patentability of applicants' claimed invention in light of the remarks presented therein.

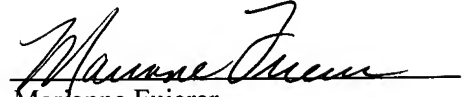
Petition for Extension of Time/Fees Payable

The applicants hereby petition for a one (1) month extension of time, extending the deadline for responding to the June 10, 2005 Office Action from September 10, 2005 to October 10, 2005. The entry of this petition results in a petition fee of \$120.00. Further applicants are including the necessary fee for a Request for Continued Examination. Enclosed herewith is a credit card form in the amount of \$910.00. Authorization also is hereby given to charge any deficiency in applicable fees for this response to Deposit Account Number 08-3284 of Intellectual Property/Technology Law.

CONCLUSION

Applicants have satisfied the requirements for patentability. All pending claims are free of the art and fully comply with the requirements of 35 U.S.C. §102 and §103. It therefore is requested that Examiner Bueker reconsider the patentability of the pending claims in light of the distinguishing remarks herein, and withdraw all rejections, thereby placing the application in condition for allowance. Notice of the same is earnestly solicited. In the event that any issues remain, Examiner Bueker is requested to contact the undersigned attorney at (919) 419-9350 to resolve same.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Marianne Fuierer", written over a horizontal line.

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